

WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY

Town of Trumbull

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TRUMBULL, CT 06611

**Water Pollution Control Authority
April 23, 2008**

In attendance:

George Biagioni, Chairman
Donald Aiello
Jack Goncalves
Janine Salvey
Fred Radford, Alternate

Also In Attendance:

Joseph Solemene, Assistant W.P.C.A. Administrator
Neil Lieberthal, Esq., Town Attorney

PUBLIC HEARING

Sanitary Sewer Lateral Extension – 15 Country Lane

Pursuant to Section 7-247a of the Connecticut General Statutes, the Water Pollution Control Authority hereby gives notice of its intention to conduct a public hearing, Wednesday, April 23, 2008 at 7:30 p.m. in the Town Hall Council Chambers. A proposed 6" sanitary sewer lateral extension and easement from an existing lateral connection on 390 Edison Road to neighboring building lot addressed 15 Country Lane. The 6" PVC extension is approximately 70 linear feet and will provide sewer service for proposed new dwelling to be constructed on the Country Lane parcel. Applicant: Sara Cammarota

Chairman Biagioni called the public hearing to order at 7:30 p.m. Mr. Solemene distributed copies of the plan to the commissioners. An existing house at 390 Edison Road is connected to the sewer on Country Lane. A new home will be built on an approved lot behind 390 Edison Road and will have the address 15 Country Lane. Applicant proposes to re-route the existing sewer connection for 390 Edison Road to make room for the new home. The new home will then be connected to the same lateral with a manhole at the connection. The cost to connect will be \$1,750 unit charge plus \$25 permit fee. The original assessment for 390 Edison Road was \$1,600. There will be no assessment for the new home because it will be connected to the existing lateral, not the main line in the road. The 6" lateral will accommodate both houses. An easement will be recorded with the Town Clerk. There was no one present to speak for or against the application.

- **Motion (GONCALVES) seconded (SALVEY) to close the public hearing. No discussion. Motion carried unanimously.**

REGULAR MEETING

MINUTES TO PREVIOUS MEETING:

- **Motion (GONCALVES) seconded (AIELLO) to accept the minutes of March 26, 2008, as written. No discussion. Motion carried unanimously.**

PROGRESS REPORT:

Mr. Solemene distributed a map and gave the following report:

Three main line crews and two lateral crews working in Town. Crew #1 finished Cricket Lane, Coral Drive and Split Rock Road, then moved to Greenbrier Road where they are replacing storm drainage which had to be removed to put in the sewer main. Crew #2 has been working for months on a long lateral in the woods, starting at

Firehouse Road and working its way to Greenbrier. When that is complete we will be able to release a large area of houses. Crew #3 finished a small section of Oldfield Road and then moved on to Grayrock.

Mr. Solemene informed David Bjorklund that the Jog Hill extension has been approved. The design work has begun.

Daniels Farm Road paving has been completed from the Route 25 Connector to Country Club Road. The section from Country Club to Firehouse Road will require drainage work and should be paved by the end of summer.

INVOICE APPROVAL:

Mark IV Construction Co., Inc. – Phase IV, Part B, Contract 3 – Application #11: \$1,400,495.69

Quantities verified by Clair Garard, Public Works Inspector.

- **Motion (GONCALVES) seconded (AIELLO) to approve Application #10 in the amount of \$1,400,495.69 for payment, based on quantities verified by Clair Garard, Public Works Inspector. No discussion. Motion carried unanimously.**

OLD BUSINESS:

Viade Development LLC protest of new unit charge

Item tabled from March meeting. Sewer extension approved in September 2007 at which time the unit charge was \$500. Unit charge increased to \$1,750 at October 2007 meeting. Attorney Rizio and Mr. Negreiro argue that because the project was approved when the unit charge was \$500, they should pay that rate. Mr. Solemene contends that Mr. Negreiro applied for the permits after the new unit charge was established, therefore the new rate applies.

- **Motion (RADFORD) seconded (SALVEY) to have the \$1,750 unit charge stand. Discussion followed. Motion carried unanimously.**

Retained Earnings Report

A copy of the retained earnings report was distributed. Year-to-date income \$596,012.54, with a balance in retained earnings of \$1,815,599.54.

NEW BUSINESS:

Bridgeport W.P.C.A. Rate Increase

Mr. Solemene received the Bridgeport W.P.C.A. budget. There will be a 4.2% rate increase beginning July 1, 2008. Mr. Solemene recommends maintaining the current maintenance charge of \$23.83 and increasing the sewage treatment charge by 4.2%.

- **Motion (GONCALVES) seconded (SALVEY) to hold a public hearing regarding the 4.2% rate increase enacted by the Bridgeport W.P.C.A. to take effect July 1, 2008. The Trumbull W.P.C.A. is proposing a 4.2% increase on the sewage treatment portion of the sewer use bill. Discussion followed. Motion carried unanimously.**

Sad News – New Hire for Sewer Department

Mr. Solemene announced that Peter Bobalki, who worked for the Sewer Department as the maintenance leader at the pump station, passed away unexpectedly. He was a valued employee who will be greatly missed. The position will be advertised. Mr. Solemene has changed the job description to require an E-1 or E-2 electrician license.

Request for Sewer Extension on Tungsten Circle

Mr. Solemene distributed copies of a letter he received from Maria Coreano of 8 Tungsten Circle who is requesting a sewer extension for her street. Mr. Solemene explained that Tungsten Circle is off of Old Mine Road where sewers are available; however the houses are situated far below the street and could not be served by a gravity line.

Mr. Solemene recommends advising the homeowner to either install a pump system at her own expense and it is not likely she would ever face a sewer assessment, or she can upgrade her septic system. Chairman Biagioni asked Mr. Solemene to determine the distance to the nearest sewer main and report back next month. The item was tabled for the May meeting.

North Nichols Easements

Chairman Biagioni asked Mr. Solemene for an update on the acquisition of the North Nichols easements. Mr. Solemene reported finalizing two agreements at 43 and 49 Dogwood Lane. As the appraisals come in, letters are sent to the homeowners requesting a meeting. Commissioner Goncalves asked that Mr. Solemene make this update a regular part of the progress report in the future.

Public Hearing

- **Motion (GONCALVES) seconded (SALVEY) to approve the application by Sara Cammarota for a sewer extension at 15 Country Road in accordance with the requirements of the Trumbull Water Pollution Control Authority and the Trumbull Engineering Department. The applicant will pay a unit charge of \$1,750 plus \$25 permit fee. Applicant is required to file an easement map with the Town Clerk. Motion carried unanimously.**

There being no other business before the Authority,

- **Motion to adjourn (GONCALVES) seconded (SALVEY). Motion carried unanimously.**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jenny Francese
Clerk of the Commission